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C O N F I D E N T I A L KUALA LUMPUR 0129

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR MY
SUBJECT: VISIT OF JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER KAKUEI TANAKA

1. SUMMARY: JAPANESE DCM NOMIYAMA TOLD ME YESTERDAY THAT PM TANAKA'S VISIT TO MALAYSIA IS EXPECTED TO BE ONE OF THE EASIER STOPS ON PRESENT ITINERARY. END SUMMARY.

2. GOM'S PM RAZAK REPORTEDLY SET HIGHLY INFORMAL TONE FOR THIS VISIT WHEN HE INDICATED PREFERENCE FOR WEEKEND MEETING ESSENTIALLY PROGRAMMED AROUND SUNDAY GOLF GAME AND SMALL AFTER-GOLF LUNCH AT HILTON HOTEL WHERE PRINCIPAL DISCUSSIONS WILL ENSUE. ONLY OTHER EVENTS WILL BE PM'S SATURDAY EVENING DINNER AND MONDAY MEETING IN PM'S OFFICE WITH SMALL GROUP OF MINISTERS AND SENIOR OFFICIALS.

3. NO AGENDA HAS BEEN FIXED AS THERE ARE NO CONTENTIOUS, BILATERAL PROBLEMS EITHER SIDE WISHES TO AIR, E.G., NO EXPECTATION MALACCA STRAITS WILL BE RAISED. RAZAK HAS INDICATED HIS PRINCIPAL DESIRE IS TO LISTEN TO TANAKA'S VIEWS ON BROADER AND OBVIOUS ASIAN-WIDE POLITICAL-ECONOMIC ISSUES. ON JAPANESE
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SIDE, FOCUS WILL REPORTEDLY BE ON ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH MALAYSIA,

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PROBABLY ANNOUNCING NEW YEN DEVELOPMENT LOAN AS WELL AS READINESS TO COOPERATE WITH MALAYSIA'S DESIRE FOR "ORDERLY, LESS AGGRESSIVE, JOINT-VENTURE PRIVATE INVESTMENT." WE ASSUME JAPANESE WILL SEEK TO STRESS MUTUALITY OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS, ESPECIALLY IN CONTEXT OF WORLDWIDE ENERGY PROBLEMS, E.G., THAT JAPAN NEEDS OIL, GAS AND OTHER MALAYSIAN COMMODITIES WHILE MALAYSIA NEEDS JAPANESE MARKET AS WELL AS JAPANESE RAW MATERIALS AND CONSUMER GOODS. NOMIYAMA ALSO NOTED THAT GOM UNDERSTANDABLY CANNOT AT THIS MOMENT APPEAR TOO CORDIAL BECAUSE GOJ NOT YET COUNTED AMONG "FRIENDLIES" BY PRO-ARAB STATES.

4. NOMIYAMA CONFIRMED OUR ESTIMATE THAT GOM SUFFERS RELATIVELY LITTLE ACTIVE ANTI-JAPANESE BIAS AND INDEED IS OPEN TO BALANCED JAPANESE PRESENCE, BUT HE OBSERVED THAT TOKYO TYCOONS AND BUREAUCRATS (INCLUDING FONMIN COLLEAGUES) MUST OVERCOME TENDENCY TO TREAT MALAYSIA AS SMALL COUNTRY WHICH MUST ALWAYS YIELD TO GOJ PRESSURES. HE VOLUNTEERED HISTORICAL EXAMPLE OF HOW AMERICANS TREATED JAPANESE IN POST-WAR YEARS.

5. WE HAVE NO INDICATION OF PLANS FOR SIGNIFICANT ANTI-JAPANESE DEMONSTRATIONS BY STUDENTS DURING TANAKA VISIT. HOWEVER, WE DO NOT PRECLUDE POSSIBILITY OF STUDENT PRONOUNCE-MENTS FROM SANCTUARY OF LOCAL CAMPUSES IF ONLY TO PROVE THEY ARE NOT TOO OUT OF STEP WITH THEIR PEERS IN BANGKOK AND JAKARTA.
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